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THE COTTON CROP MORTGAGE.

In the "Cotton Credits" bulletin re-
cently issued by the extension de-
partment of the A. & M. College, R. L.
Bennett of Paris, in discussing the
cotton crop mortgage as a basis of
credit says:

"The farmer who raises nothing but
cotton is not a safe credit risk unless
cotton sells for more than 10 cents a
pound. We are not trying to em-
barrass farmers in making credit ar-
rangements; we are trying to show
them and their creditors the safer
and better way of basing credit on
food and food crops first and cotton
second. With food and feed raised
at home the farmer can pay his debts
with the cotton at even 6 cents a
pound, though he can do much better
with other money crops than with
cotton at that price. But with noth-
ing but cotton he cannot pay out even
at 10 cents a pound.

"The present credit embarrassment
throughout the South is a demonstra-
tion in a wholesale way that a one-
crop system is a hazardous business,
as agricultural scientists and econ-
omists have long taught. Bankers,
credit merchants and cotton farmers
have despised the scientists and
economists, but now they are brought
face to face with the truth and find
it desperately embarrassing."

It might be added that before the
boll weevils invaded this country,
when everything was cotton, thou-
sands of crop mortgages were filed
every year in the office of the county
clerk, many of them security for bank
loans, but the majority of them as
security to merchants for supplies to
run the farmer through the year.
When the boll weevil came, however,
and farmers began to raise hogs and
other diversified products, the num-
ber of mortgages decreased rapidly
and in just a few years such a thing
as a crop mortgage was scarcely
heard of. It can also be truthfully
stated that Brazos County never
knew a greater era of prosperity than
during that period of diversification.
When cotton prices advanced, how-
ever, and the people returned to all-
cotton, the crop mortgage came back
and has steadily increased in num-
bers, while prosperity has decreased
at the same ratio.

This year brought the climax in
our one-crop plan, as well as disaster.
The people are confronting a crisis
and diversification is the only safe
way out.

RUBBER TIRES VS. TROLLEYS.

Surface street railway owners see
new trouble ahead. It is coming on
rubber tires. Here and there, in a
more or less rudimentary form, it has
arrived. London's municipally owned
trolley trams have been badly hurt,
financially by the competition of a
chartered company operating 5,000
44-passenger double-deck motor buses.
New York's surface street railway
owners are pleading with that city's
government to not subject them to
"unfair competition" by licensing bus
lines to parallel trolley lines. Charging
double the trolley fare, New York's
buses, it is said, are cutting ever
deeper into the traction revenues.

In Houston, sixty-five automobile
owners, to turn an honest penny in
dull times, have set up, each for him-
self on a regular route, in opposition
to the street railway company; they
carry passengers to any point on any
paved street for 5 cents. The trac-
tion company complains that the
"jitney cars," as the predatory auto-
mobiles are called (jitney being an
old Southern slang name for a petty
coin), have already drawn off 40 per
cent of the street railway revenue.
Citizens long used to paying a nickel
apiece for a straphold in a crowded
street car exhibit what the traction
magnates deem a disloyal delight in
preferring a 5-cent seat in a motor
car. The car owners, each his own
chauffeur, earn \$5 to \$10 daily, net.

In Los Angeles scores of jitney cars
are thriving. Some men have bought
new cars to engage in the profitable
5-cent traffic.

We shall not be surprised if within

the next decade some of the better
paved and more progressive cities of
the United States witness the large-
scale substitution of the swift, noise-
less and apparently cheaper and more
profitable motor bus for the clumsier,
noisier, costlier surface trolley lines.
It seems fairly certain, indeed, that
urban transportation of the future will
combine the speed and carrying ca-
pacity of underground express trains
linking city center to suburbs, with
the surface service of the silent,
cheap and comfortable rubber-tired
motor vehicle.

At any rate, we may comfort our-
selves with these so agreeable reflec-
tions while we swing at the end of
a car strap in our crowded, chilly,
noisy and sometimes smelly street
cars.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Tax Commissioner Love emits a
howl about our "underpaid public of-
ficials." It's a pity about our poor of-
ficials and the starvation wages they
are getting. We are really afraid
some of them will have to turn loose
the public test and go to work if some
plan cannot be arranged by which
they can get more money. The pub-
lic, however, would do well to reserve
their tears until the dreaded crisis
comes. Underpaid hell! We are a
Nation of office holders and tax eat-
ers from the National government
down.

The jitney auto service, which is
no more nor less than hundreds of
light autos running the streets on
which street car lines are located and
charging only five-cent fares, have
sprung up all over the country in the
big cities in a night, as it were. That
they are knocking a hole in the reve-
nues of the street car companies is
shown by a statement from David
Daly, manager of the Houston com-
pany, who says the revenues of that
company will be reduced \$250,000 in
1915 if the jitney service continues as
at present.

Germany has issued orders to her
soldiers not to fraternize with the
soldiers of the enemy at the front.
This order was inspired by the fact
that on Christmas day the Germans
and English exchanged all kinds of
little courtesies and even played a
football game. They were so pleased
with these little social interchanges
they agreed to suspend hostilities for
two more days. It is supposed the
order was issued for fear the soldiers
would agree to stop fighting and thus
end the war. Men will not play foot-
ball today and shoot each other to-
morrow.

The death of two Garibaldi's recent-
ly, who were fighting in the French
army, has stirred Rome and all Italy
to the depths. The wildest war spirit
prevails and the feeling against Ger-
many is bitter. The opinion prevails
that Italy may come into the fighting
at any time.

It is not only a long road to Tip-
perary, but a dingbusted long time
until Cyclone Davis gets to take his
seat in Congress and show the coun-
try what a real statesman looks like.

From reports from the front, one is
forced to the conclusion that the sev-
eral armies carry their trenches with
them.

The starving Belgians and our un-
derpaid officials both need help. They
are some sob starters.

Talk about dollar wheat, if the
European war lasts much longer we'll
see dollar biscuits.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

He who gets rich quick is apt to go
broke in a hurry.

Many a great man is never heard
of twenty miles from home.

Men with a keen sense of humor
never try to tell funny stories.

People who believe that rock and
rye will cure a cold usually have one.
When people say mean things about
you, it is a safe bet that you had it
coming.

Some people are never happy un-
less they are in a position to make
others miserable.

Cultivate patience; you will need it
when a self-made man begins to tell
you the story of his life.

It is an easy matter to keep a
strangle hold on your temper if you
know that it will cost you your job
to turn it loose.

There are knaves enough in this
great and glorious land of the free to
beat all the swords on earth into foun-
tain pens.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

"My husband used to fuss when I
was late dressing to go anywhere, but
he doesn't now."

"No; he told my husband that he

Our Final Clearance Sale of All
Winter Goods

In order to make room for Spring Goods, which will soon begin to arrive, we are
making still further reductions on all lines of Winter Goods. Wholesale cost will not be
considered. We must make room.

DON'T PUT IT OFF COME IN TO-MORROW

MEN'S FALL SUITS

All \$10.00 Suits.....\$6.65
All \$12.50 Suits.....\$8.35
All \$15.00 Suits.....\$10.00
All \$16.50 Suits.....\$11.00
All \$18.00 Suits.....\$12.00
All \$20.00 Suits.....\$13.35
All \$22.50 Suits.....\$15.00
All \$25.00 Suits.....\$16.65
All \$27.50 Suits.....\$18.35
All \$30.00 Suits.....\$20.00

MEN'S OVERCOATS

All \$10.00 Overcoats.....\$6.65
All \$15.00 Overcoats.....\$10.00
All \$18.00 Overcoats.....\$12.00
All \$20.00 Overcoats.....\$13.35
All \$22.50 Overcoats.....\$15.00
All \$25.00 Overcoats.....\$16.65
All \$27.50 Overcoats.....\$18.35

MEN'S & BOYS' SWEATERS

All \$2.00 Sweaters.....\$1.50
All \$2.50 Sweaters.....\$1.85
All \$3.00 Sweaters.....\$2.25
All \$3.50 Sweaters.....\$2.65
All \$4.00 Sweaters.....\$3.00
All \$5.00 Sweaters.....\$3.75
All \$6.00 Sweaters.....\$4.50
All \$7.50 Sweaters.....\$5.00
All \$8.00 Sweaters.....\$6.00

MEN'S ODD TROUSERS

All \$2.50 Trousers.....\$2.00
All \$3.00 Trousers.....\$2.40
All \$3.50 Trousers.....\$2.80
All \$4.00 Trousers.....\$3.20
All \$5.00 Trousers.....\$4.00
All \$6.00 Trousers.....\$4.80
All \$7.00 Trousers.....\$5.60

MEN'S FANCY VESTS

All \$1.50 Vests.....\$1.15
All \$2.00 Vests.....\$1.50
All \$2.50 Vests.....\$1.85
All \$3.00 Vests.....\$2.25
All \$3.50 Vests.....\$2.65

MEN'S FLANNEL SHIRTS

All \$1.00 Overshirts.....80c
All \$1.50 Overshirts.....\$1.20
All \$2.00 Overshirts.....\$1.45
All \$2.50 Overshirts.....\$1.85
All \$3.00 Overshirts.....\$2.35

MEN'S NETTLETON SHOES

All \$6.00 Shoes.....\$4.85
All \$6.50 Shoes.....\$5.15
Broken lots \$6.00 Nettleton
Shoes.....\$3.85
Broken lots \$4.00 and \$4.50
Walk-Over Shoes.....\$2.85

MEN'S AND BOYS' GLOVES

All 50c Gloves.....39c
All \$1.00 Gloves.....80c
All \$1.50 Gloves.....\$1.20
All \$2.00 Gloves.....\$1.60
All \$2.50 Gloves.....\$2.00

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

All 50c Undewear.....39c
All \$1.00 Undewear.....80c
All \$1.50 Undewear.....\$1.20
All \$2.00 Undewear.....\$1.60

MEN'S BOOTS AND BOOTEEES

\$5.00 Boots and Bootees.....\$4.00
\$6.00 Boots and Bootees.....\$4.80
\$7.50 Boots and Bootees.....\$6.00
\$9.00 Boots and Bootees.....\$7.20
\$10.00 Boots & Bootees.....\$8.00

MEN'S BATH ROBES

All \$4.00 Bath Robes.....\$3.20
All \$5.00 Bath Robes.....\$4.00
All \$6.50 Bath Robes.....\$5.20
All \$7.50 Bath Robes.....\$6.00

MEN'S MACKINAW COATS

All \$8.00 Coats.....\$5.35
All \$10.00 Coats.....\$6.65
All \$12.50 Coats.....\$8.35

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Bryan's Big Clothing Store

always sets the clock forty minutes
ahead."—Boston Transcript.

Reason is the triumph of the intel-
lect, faith of the heart.—Schouler.

Panhandler—Say, pal, could ye give
a guy a nickel for a bed?
Hardhearted Party—Let's see the
bed.—Buffalo Express.

That is the very best government
which desires to make the people
happy.—Macaulay.

"I saw Smith pitch his alarm clock
out of the window."
"Ah! I suspected he was throwing
away his time."—Baltimore American.

Gravity is a mystery of the body in-
vented to conceal the defects of the
mind.—La Rochefoucauld.

"Pa, why was I born on Christmas
day?"
"It just happened so, son."
"And are my presents Christmas
presents or birthday presents?"
"Both."

"Pa, can't we get Christmas day
changed?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Who goes a-borrowing
Goes a-sorrowing.—Trusser.

"Why do you write articles on how
cheaply people can live if they try?"

"In the hope of getting enough
money to avoid having to live that
way."—Washington Star.

The maxims of men reveal their
characters.—Vauvenargues.

Lady—Doctor, I am so glad to hear
you have stopped calling upon poor
Mrs. Smith. Now I am sure she is
out of danger!"—Judge.

RUSSIAN'S PRAYER
FOR HIS HORSE

The Russians are in the habit of
using the following prayer for their
horses before going into action:

"And for these, also, O Lord, the
humble beasts who with us bear the
burden and heat of the day, and offer
their guileless lives for the well being
of their countries, we supplicate Thy
great tenderness of heart, for Thou
hast promised to save both man and
beast, and great is Thy loving kind-
ness, O Master, Saviour of the world.
Lord, have mercy."

Those also who have traveled over
some of the wide spaces of Russia
and Siberia, will appreciate the sim-
ple trust shown in it, for Russians
have often to face dangers alone on
horseback in their great country even
in times of peace.—Country Life.

AT THE MORNING GATE.

How hard the road may be for me,
How rough the trail that I must
keep,
How weary all the toil may be,
Means nothing, dear, though
shadows creep,
If you, O Little Dreamer, there
With "blood of roses" in each vein,
With yellow sunshine in your hair
And eyes like violets in the rain,
Shall only know the Lane of Light—
Where God has kissed each shadow
white.

How far the song shall drift from me,
Who only hear the weary cry
Of sorrow's ceaseless throndy
Beneath a dim and starless sky,
Shall matter not, if I but know,
O Little Dreamer, that your feet
Shall follow where the south winds
blow
Love's blossoms that shall make
life sweet:

Sweet through the years that wait for
you
With every-little dream come true.
Grantland Rice.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1830—The American Minister to
Colombia obtained indemnity
for American trading vessels
captured by the Colombians.

1854—The Metropolitan Hall and La-
farge Hotel, two of the finest
buildings in New York, destroyed
by fire.

1855—All liquor shops in New York
closed by order of the mayor.

1867—A National convention of col-
ored soldiers and sailors assem-
bled at Philadelphia and voted
thanks to Congress for the ex-
ertions in their behalf, despite
the alleged oppressive meas-
ures of the President.

1872—Governor Warmouth of Louisi-
ana, in his message to the
Legislature, charges enormous
frauds upon the House of Rep-
resentatives and its Speaker,
Colonel Carter; the Carter par-
ty withdrew and began a move-
ment for the removal of Gov-
ernor Warmouth and the seiz-
ure of the State House; the
Governor placed all the military
and police force of the State
under the command of General
Longstreet; Carter called upon
the people to arm and rally at
the Clay statue, United States
army, that he would interfere
in case of a riot.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

J. I. Barron et al to L. Rushing, lots
6, 7 and 8, block 87, city of Bryan,
Brazos County; consideration, \$1,500.
Mrs. Eva Stack to B. L. Herring,
three tracts of land, containing 356.7
acres in the T. J. Allcorn survey in
Brazos County; \$10 and other consid-
erations.

B. L. Herring to E. C. Scruggs,
three tracts of land, containing 356.7
acres, in the T. J. Allcorn survey in
Brazos County; \$10 and other consid-
erations.

HOTEL BRYAN ARRIVALS

W. W. Keith, Dallas.
Dr. A. J. Cox, Ennis.
C. H. Herring, Houston.
F. O. Miller, Houston.
R. V. Nabers, Waco.
J. Alexander, Houston.
Goldie Desboro, Chicago.
J. S. De Forest, Chicago.
Mrs. Major and daughter, Chicago.
Mr. and Mrs. Schuyler, Chicago.
H. A. De Prez, St. Louis.
J. H. Reynolds, Dallas.
E. P. Young, Houston.
W. T. Price, Waco.
A. Wolf, Houston.
E. Campbell, Atlanta, Ga.
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W. Danner, Houston.
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J. M. Lillard, Houston.
J. S. McCauley, Dallas.
W. T. Bray, Dallas.
W. Gottheimer, St. Louis.
H. H. Bonner, Corsicana.

JUDGE E. L. BYERS.

Last night Judge E. L. Byers of
Madisonville dropped dead at his
home in that city.

Judge Byers was one of the old and
highly respected citizens of Madison-
ville; at one time was county judge,
and held at different times places of
trust and honor. He was the senior
elder of the Presbyterian Church of
that place, and a man of most exem-
plary life. Rev. W. M. Lewis left on
the noon train to conduct the funeral
services. Navasota Examiner.

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